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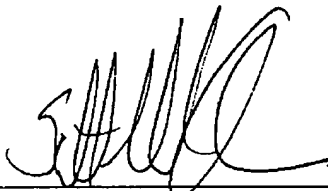
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of September 21, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 8 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings - none.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.